

IN THE CLAIMS:

Please cancel claims 2-18 without prejudice, and add new claims 19-23, as follows:

19. (New) A graft for treating a length of a patient's body lumen comprising a plurality of thin wall graft members in a deployed state with at least two layers of thin wall graft member present across the length of the patient's body lumen being treated.

20. (New) The graft of claim 19 wherein the patient's body lumen comprises an artery and none of the thin wall graft members in an non-layered state are sufficient to maintain a flow of blood therethrough and prevent leakage.

21. (New) The graft of claim 19 wherein the graft comprises at least 3 thin wall graft members.

22. (New) The graft of claim 19 wherein an inner most thin wall graft member has an axial length greater than the other thin wall graft members of the graft and extends longitudinally beyond a distal end and proximal end of all other thin wall graft members.

23. (New) The graft of claim 19 wherein the thin wall graft members are configured to expand to a transverse dimension of up to about 40 mm and can be constrained to a maximum outer transverse dimension of down to about 3 mm.

REMARKS

This Preliminary Amendment is filed in connection with filing a Continuation Application of Serial No. 09/200,317, filed November 25, 1998. A check in the amount of \$370.00 for the filing fee (small entity) accompanies this Preliminary Amendment. Any fees that may be due in connection with filing this paper, if the attached check is improper, in the wrong amount, or missing, or with this application or the present application during their entire pendency, may be charged to Deposit Account No. 50-1213.